

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY, 13TH. JANUARY, 1975, AT 7-30 P.M.

Present.

Mr.J.R.Bell, Chairman, MissM.I.Fletcher, Messrs. S.Eggleston, B.Moore, B.Scarlett, Borough of Charnwood Councillor, and Mr.T.A.S.Branston, County Councillor.

Apologies.

An apology for non-attendance was received from Mr.Betts and Mr.Enright.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th.December, 1974, having been previously circulated, were confirmed as being correct and were signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising
from these
Minutes.

Trees overhanging footpath, Loughborough Road, B676.
It was reported that the trees had not yet been cut back, and the Clerk was asked to write again to the District Surveyor.

Village Hall Boundary Fence.

Reference was made to the letter sent to Mr.Grudgings from the last meeting expressing the Council's concern over the long delay in repairing this fence.
It was agreed that the Chairman should see Mr.Grudgings and discuss the matter with him.

Wymeswold Airfield.

The Chairman read the letter sent from the last meeting to the Secretary of the County Council, in which reference was made to the letter received by Mr.Michael Latham,M.P. from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Defence for the Army. It was agreed that a copy of this letter be sent to Mr.Latham.
Mr.Branston stated that he would ask for this to be thoroughly investigated by the County Council.
On a request by the Chairman, Mr.Branston agreed to ask the County Council if they would notify the Parish Council of any planning consultations which may be received from the Defence Land Agent affecting the future use of Wymeswold Airfield.

Allotments.

No further requests for allotments had been received since the last meeting. It was agreed to defer further discussion on this until the next meeting.

Correspondence Mains Gas Supply.

A long and informative letter had been received from Mr. Michael Latham, M.P. giving details of the meeting with the East Midlands Gas. Mr. Latham reported with regret that East Midlands Gas could see no prospect of being able to provide gas to Burton without breaching its statutory obligations, unless villagers are prepared to pay a large capital contribution.

Mr. Latham was however able to report that the Chancellor of the Exchequer has now announced that he proposes to bring coal, gas and electricity up to a more economic level, which will obviously reduce the artificial attractiveness of gas which it at present enjoys.

It was agreed that a photo-stat copy of this letter should be placed on the Parish Council notice board, and that a further copy be sent to Mr. Price, who was particularly interested in this matter.

Various Village Matters.

A letter from Mr. Hawes gave a list of complaints mainly concerned with the village roads and footpaths.

Mr. Branston made a note of these and agreed to raise them with the District Surveyor.

Mr. Hawes had also made a further request for the publication of the Parish Council Minutes on the Parish Council Notice Board. It was agreed to defer this to the next meeting for further discussion. It was also agreed that the Chairman should see Mr. Hawes and discuss the various points raised in his letter.

Planning
Application.

The following Planning Application had been received.

74/1756/2, 11-12-74, Cooper, C.F.

Extensions and alterations, 7, Loughborough Road, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

No objection was raised by the meeting to this application.


Meeting of Parish Councils and Charnwood Borough Councillors and Officers.

It was agreed that the Chairman, together with Mr. Moore and the Clerk should attend this meeting to be held in Loughborough Town Hall, on 14th. January, 1975, at 7-0 p.m.

Cheques.

The following cheques were authorised and signed:-

Harry Prince, Equipment for Table Tennis Club, £49.05 ✓
P.F. Oswin, 200 Plain Minute Book Sheets
purchased from Wells and Blackwell, £02.59 ✓
P.F. Oswin, Photo-copying of Minutes, 8-1-75, £00.70 ✓




Date of next
meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for
Monday, 10th. February, 1975, at 7-30 p.m.

Any other business None.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10-30 p.m.



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A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY, 10TH. FEBRUARY, 1975, AT 7-30 P.M.

Present.

Mr.J.R.Bell, Chairman, Miss M.I.Fletcher, Messrs. C.A.Betts, S.Eggleston, G.M.Enright, B.Moore, T.A.S.Branston, County Councillor, and B.Scarlett, Borough of Charnwood Councillor.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13th. January, 1975, having been previously circulated, were confirmed as being correct, and were signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising.

Village Hall Boundary Fence.

Up to the time of this meeting, the Chairman had been unable to contact Mr.Grudgings.

Wymeswold Airfield.

Mr.Scarlett presented a letter to the meeting which had been sent from the Ministry of Defence to Mr.Latham, M.P. The letter stated that it was not intended to use the airfield as a base for the training of army drivers, and that the roads surrounding the airfield will therefore not be used for this purpose.

A letter had now been received from the County Council in reply to the letter sent from the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th. December, 1974, in which concern was expressed at the County Council declining to give evidence on Wymeswold Airfield.

The letter stated that a search of the files of the former County Council had been carried out revealing the following information :-

"The terms of reference of the Defence Lands Committee (The Nugent Committee) were to review the holding of land in the United Kingdom by the Armed Forces or by the Ministry of Aviation Supply for defence purposes for training areas, airfields, ranges wherever situated". An invitation to submit representations to the Committee about land within the terms of reference was issued to the County Council as Local Planning Authority, following which a review of such land in Leicestershire was carried out.

In view of the fact that at the time the land at Wymeswold was considered to be non-operational land, and therefore outside the terms of reference to the Committee, it was felt that no representation could properly be submitted.

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It was agreed to write to the County Council expressing the Parish Council's concern at the lack of response to the invitation from the Nugent Committee to present evidence for the return of Wymeswold Airfield to agricultural use, and in not making use of local knowledge available to them from Parish Councils adjoining the airfield.

Mr. Moore asked that assurance be given that the Parish Council will in future be kept fully informed of any matters relating directly or indirectly to the Parish, especially to any affairs relating to Wymeswold Airfield. It was also agreed that the County Council be notified that it was the wish of all the Parish Councils adjoining the airfield, that no effort should be spared in pressing for the return of this land to unrestricted agricultural use.

Various Village Matters.

The complaints raised by Mr. Hawes concerning the roads and footpaths in the village had been looked into by the Assistant Divisional Surveyor, Mr. Fagg and Mr. Branston at a meeting in the village on 23rd. Jan. 1975. Mr. Fagg had given a report on his inspection in a letter to Mr. Branston which was read to the meeting. Mr. Branston said he would write to Mr. Hawes and give him the details of the report.

Trees overhanging footpath, Loughborough Road.

These had now been cut back and appeared to be satisfactory.

Meeting between Parish Councils and Charnwood Borough Councillors and Officers.

Mr. Moore gave a report of this meeting. Reference was made at the meeting to the commencement of a Review of the Electoral arrangements for Charnwood District. No alterations to existing Parish Boundaries was envisaged for the present.

The provision of Allotments had been submitted by the Parish Council to be included in the Agenda. This had been briefly discussed and the difficulties arising from the application of compulsory purchase of land for allotments was mentioned.

30 m.p.h. Speed Restriction, Loughborough Road. (B676).

Mr. Branston presented a letter to the meeting which he had received from the County Surveyor. This reiterated the reasons previously given to the Parish Council for

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not extending the Speed Restrictions to the point recommended by the Parish Council.

It was agreed that there was no alternative but to accept the position decided upon by the County Council.

It was also agreed to make the following observations and recommendations:-

There is a dangerous dip in the road opposite Springfield Close, and cars leaving the village are temporarily lost to view by cars entering the village.

The meeting agreed that the County Council should be asked to put double white lines on the B676 along this part of the road, and to erect a "No Overtaking" sign, and to ask for a "Slow" sign to be painted on the road ahead of the 30m.p.h. sign.

Correspondence Proposed Prohibition of Cycling between Springfield Close and Barrow Road.

A letter from the County Council stated that investigations had revealed that this footpath had never been adopted, and therefore it is not legally a County Council thoroughfare. Adoption procedure is being carried out, and when this is completed an application will be made for a "No Cycling" Order on this path. The County Council anticipate this will be made towards the end of this year.

Cliff Works, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

A letter from the Borough of Charnwood stated that the extension of the car park at these works would not have a beneficial effect on the product of a 1P Rate for Burton, due to the works being in the Wymeswold Parish. The Clerk was asked to write again to the Borough of Charnwood acknowledging the fact that the works are just over the parish boundary, and at the same time pointing out that the entrance for both pedestrations and vehicular traffic is from the Burton Parish. In view of this it was felt that a proportion of the rate accruing from this property should be diverted to the benefit of Burton.

Hackney Carriage Byelaws.

On 24th.March,1975, the Borough of Charnwood proposes to pass a resolution to extend the Hackney Carriage Byelaw to cover the whole of the Charnwood Borough area.

This resolution will take effect on approval of the Secretary of State.

Speaking on this, Mr.Scarlett advised that until this resolution is approved, people hiring a taxi for the journey to Burton should negotiate the fare before

commencing the journey.

It was agreed that this information should be published in the Link.

Planning
Application.

The following Planning Application had been received.
75/0131/2. 22-1-75, Betts, C.A. (Burton-on-the-Wolds
Playing Field Association).

Extension to existing pavilion on the Playing Field
to incorporate a verandah, Barrow Road.

There was no objection raised to this Planning
Application.

Allotments.

Letters from six Parishioners had now been received
stating their interest in having an allotment if they
were made available.

This is the number required before the Parish Council
has to formally consider to operate the Allotments
Act.

On the proposal from the Chair, it was agreed to ask
the advice of the Charnwood Borough Council before
proceeding further with this.

Date of next
meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday,
17th. March, at 7-30 p.m.

Date of Annual
Parish Meeting.

The Annual Parish Meeting was arranged for Monday,
14th. April, at 7-30 p.m.

Date of Annual
Parish Council
Meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council was arranged
for Friday, 2nd. May, at 7-30 p.m.

Any other
business.

Provision of Tennis Court by the Playing Field Committee.

Mr. Betts reported on the results of a census which had
been carried out by the Playing Field Committee to
ascertain the demand for a Tennis Court on the Playing
Field. From the 154 papers distributed, 115 had been
returned, and 97 parishioners had stated their interest
in a Tennis Court.

Mr. Betts informed the meeting that the Committee had
decided to go ahead with this project.

Land adjacent to the R.A.F. Officers Houses, Barrow Rd.

Mr. Scarlett reported that the Borough of Charnwood
was approaching the Ministry of Defence to see if the
Ministry would be prepared to sell this land for the
purpose of the erection of a Parish Hall.

There was no need for any action by the Parish Council.

Village Sewerage System.

Mr. Scarlett reported that there was cause for concern over the sewerage system, and that he was discussing this with the Borough of Charnwood.

Burton Table Tennis Club.

The Chairman reported on the success of this recently formed Club, and the meeting agreed that a letter be sent to Mrs. Morris congratulating her and her Committee on the success of the Club.

Grill on the Culvert, Brook Street.

It was reported that the grill had been bent. The Clerk was asked to report this to the Borough of Charnwood Engineer.

There was no further business, and the Chairman closed the meeting at 10-30 p.m.

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A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 17th. MARCH, 1975, AT 7-30 P.M.

Present.

Mr.J.R.Bell, Chairman, Miss M.I.Fletcher, Messrs.
C.A.Betts, S.Eggleston, G.M.Enright, B.Moore,
County Councillor T.A.S.Branston, and Charnwood Borough
Councillor B.Scarlett.

Vote of thanks to
Vice-Chairman.

The Chairman wished that a vote of thanks be recorded
to the Vice-Chairman, Mr.Moore, for his help in
attending to Parish Council business during the
Chairman's visit abroad. This was endorsed by the
meeting.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on
10th. February, 1975, having been previously circulated,
were confirmed as being correct, and were signed by
the Chairman.

Matters arising.

Village Hall Boundary Fence.

Repair work on this fence had been started by
Mr.Grudgings. It was reported that this had now
stopped, and that Mr.Grudgings had ceased to operate
his business.

On the proposition of Mr.Moore, it was agreed that
this should be left in abeyance until the position
is clarified.

Wymeswold Airfield.

The Parish Council had been invited to send
representatives to a meeting to be held at Southfields
on 19th. March, 1975, at 6-30 p.m. It was agreed that
the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and the Clerk should
attend. Representatives of the Ministry of Defence,
the Defence Land Agent, the Borough Council, and the
County Council will be present to discuss the future
use of Wymeswold Airfield.

Footpath alongside Brook in Brook Street.

This path had now been surfaced with tarmacadam by
the County Council, and had been done without the prior
knowledge of the Parish Council, and after Mr.Branston
had been told by the Assistant District Surveyor that
the condition of the path did not warrant any work
being done to it.

A further letter had been received from Mr.Hawes,

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who had originally complained about the condition of the path, stating that he had received assurance that the Brookside Footpath will be surfaced with tarmacadam, but had given no indication as to the origin of the source of the information. The Clerk reported that he had raised this with the District Surveyor, and had been informed that the work had been put in hand by the Area Superintendent during the absence of the District Surveyor, and following a request by Mr. Hawes.

The District Surveyor also reported that works of a minor nature were being carried out due to money being available after an exceptionally mild winter.

The Clerk reported that he had then asked if it was not possible for the footpath within the white railings on the Melton Road to be reinstated, requests for this having been previously refused on the grounds of cost. This the District Surveyor agreed to do.

30 m.p.h. Speed Restrictions, Loughborough Road, (B676).


The County Engineer had replied to the request made at the last Council meeting for double white lines, a No Overtaking Sign, and a Slow sign painted on the road. He considered these requests would be unwarranted once the extended speed restriction was in operation, and asked that the Council gives this an opportunity to operate before assessing the benefits thus obtained.

It was agreed to accede to the request of the County Engineer.

Rating Assessment, Cliff Works, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

The Borough Treasurer had replied to the letter sent from the last meeting concerning the rating of the above Works. The treasurer stated that the revaluation of these Works will be carried out by the responsible official for rating valuation, i.e. the Inland Revenue Valuation Officer Victoria Street, Loughborough. In the opinion of the Borough Treasurer, the fact that the access to the Works is situated in the Burton-on-the-Wolds Parish will have no bearing on the likely outcome, which will result in the District Valuer having no alternative other than to observe the position of the Parish Boundary as it stands at the present time, and allocate the additional rateable value to the Wymeswold Parish.

It was agreed to send a copy of the letter sent from the the last meeting to Mr. Dark, to the Inland Revenue Valuation Officer.



Provision of Parish Allotments.

A letter had been received from the Borough Secretary confirming that the Parish Council having received six applications for Allotments may proceed with the provision of them.

On the proposition of Mr. Betts, seconded by Mr. Eggleston it was agreed to proceed with the provision of Garden Allotments.

The Clerk reported he had made tentative enquiries of Mr. R. H. Seal, 1, Souters Lane, Burton-on-the-Wolds, who was willing to sell a piece of land of approximately half an acre, and which had previously used for private allotments.

The Clerk was asked to write to the District Auditor, informing him of this, and to ask him to meet Mr. Seal to discuss the cost of this piece of land.

Land adjacent to R.A.F. Houses, Barrow Road.

A letter from the Borough Secretary stated that the Ministry of Defence is not prepared to sell this piece of land at the present time.

Village Sewerage System.

Mr. Scarlett reported that the proposed new sewerage system for Burton scheduled for 1976 has now been postponed to 1979.

In view of the condition of the existing sewer, this information gave rise to some concern. It was agreed to write to the Severn-Trent Water Authority stressing the urgency for a new sewerage system, and point out that the critical condition could well be aggravated with the occupation of the ex R.A.F. Houses by personnel from the Signals Squadron, Old Woodhouse, due to take place very soon.

Culvert Grid, Brook Street, and Souters Lane.

A letter from the Borough Chief Technical Officer stated that he will arrange for any necessary repairs to the Brook Street Grid to be carried out.

The Chief Technical Officer also stated that under normal circumstances the grids are inspected at least once a week, and cleared when necessary. During periods of heavy rain the inspections are made more frequently, and daily if the circumstances demand it.

It had been brought to the Council's notice that during the recent exceptionally heavy rainfall, the Brook Street grid had been kept clear of debris by the

efforts of Mr.Oakland and Mr.Searson, and serious flooding thus avoided. The meeting agreed that a letter be sent to Mr.Oakland and Mr.Searson thanking them for their efforts.

Correspondence. Planning Applications.

The following Planning Applications had been received.

75/0236/2, 5-2-75, Brush Fusegear Ltd. Cliff Works, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

Demolition of existing offices and erection of new single-storey offices and canteen.

75/0237/2, 5-2-75, Brush Fusegear Ltd., Cliff Works, Burton-on-the-Wolds,

Retention of certain buildings for storage, previously scheduled for demolition. See 2066/73/8724/12.

There were no objections raised to these Applications.

Consultation on Planning Applications.

The Chief Planning Officer was now reviewing the first twelve months of notification of Planning Application procedure by the Charnwood Borough Council, and invited Parish Councils to give their views.

It was agreed that recent planning notifications had contained more details and would appear to be satisfactory. The Clerk was asked to convey these views to the Chief Planning Officer.

Village Hall Repairs.

Following a request sent from the Council meeting held on 16th.Dec.1974, the Secretary of the Memorial Hall Management Committee had now sent a list of the repairs requiring urgent attention, and an estimate from Mr.A.J.Badham for this work amounting to £140.00.

The Council agreed to accept this one estimate upon being informed that the Management Committee had experienced difficulty in obtaining an estimate at all.

On the proposition of Mr.Moore, seconded by Mr.Enright, it was agreed to donate the sum of £92.00 remaining in the surplus Street Lighting Fund towards the cost of these repairs. A cheque for this amount to be made out upon receiving the receipted bill from the Management Committee.

Various Village Matters.

A further letter had been received from Mr.Hawes concerning Village Matters which included the publishing of the Council Minutes on the Parish Notice Board, Street Lighting Surplus Fund, Clerk's expenses and Footpaths.

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In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman had drafted a reply to Mr. Hawes. This was read to the meeting and it was agreed that it should be sent to Mr. Hawes.

The letter invited Mr. Hawes to attend the Council meetings, whereby he would be acquainted with the business discussed, and also to avail himself of the services of the Councillors and to raise any village matters with them. The letter also informed Mr. Hawes that the Minutes would be freely available to him on application to a Councillor.

Concessionary Bus Fares.

A letter from the Borough Secretary stated that no concessionary bus fare scheme will be operated in the Charnwood Area in the forthcoming year.

Initial Review of Electoral Arrangements.

Details of these arrangements had been circulated prior to this meeting to enable Councillors to state which of the two Schemes they preferred.

It was the unanimous wish of the meeting that the Parish Council preferred Scheme 2.

This Scheme proposed the grouping of Burton, Cotes, Hoton, Prestwold and Wymeswold, and having one representative with an electorate per Councillor of 1511. This will give a total number of 58 members on the Charnwood Borough Council.

Ministry of Defence Facilities.

Details had been received from the Borough Secretary of the Ministry of Defence Facilities available to Local Authorities and Youth Organisations.

These facilities enable civilian organisations to use small areas of Ministry of Defence Land for outdoor activities. It was agreed to file this information for future reference.

Publishing of Parish Council Minutes.

A further request had been received from Mr. Hawes for the Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings to be published on the Parish Notice Board.

After due consideration, it was unanimously agreed that the Minutes should not be published on the Notice Board.

It was, however, decided to include a note in the

Publishing of
Minutes.

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report on Parish Council business published in the Parochial Magazine "The Link" that the Minutes of Parish Council Meetings may be inspected on application to a Parish Councillor.

Cheques.

The following cheques were authorised and signed:-

Clerk's Telephone Account 6-2-75,	£13.99 ✓
Memorial Hall Management Committee,	
charge for meetings for year ending 31-3-75.	£7.25 ✓
Clerk's Salary and expenses for year	
ending 31-3-75,	£185.54 ✓

There was no other business and the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.10p.m.

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THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WAS HELD IN THE VILLAGE
HALL ON MONDAY, 14TH. APRIL, 1975, AT 7-30 P.M.

Present.

Mr.J.R.Bell, (Chairman), Miss M.I.Fletcher,
Messrs. C.A.Betts, S.Eggleston, G.M.Enright, B.Moore,
and 26 Local Government Electors.

Also attending in their official capacities were,
County Councillor T.A.S.Branston, Charnwood Borough
Councillor B.Scarlett, The Secretary of the Charnwood
Borough Council Mr.B.Longden, and attending by
special invitation Major W.B.Foote, Royal Signals,
Officer Commanding, 224 Squadron, Old Woodhouse.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting held on
29th. March, 1974, were read and it was agreed that
these were a true record of that meeting, and they
were signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising
from these
Minutes.

The Chairman stated that he proposed to include any
matters arising from the Minutes in his report on the
past year.

Chairman's Report.

The Chairman referred to the sad loss to the Parish
and to the Parish Council through the death of
Mr.D.M.Lawson, who had served the Parish both as
Parish Councillor and Rural District Councillor for
many years.

The Chairman then paid tribute to Mr.J.Corrigan, who
had also served on the Parish Council and the Rural
District Council, but unfortunately had retired for
health reasons.

Field Footpaths.

All the proposed diversions had been agreed upon by
the parties concerned, and it now remained for these
to be made official rights of way. When this is
completed it is hoped that the County Council will
carry out their programme of Signposting and
Waymarking of the paths.

The Chairman paid tribute to the Chairman of the Wolds
Footpath Group, Mrs.B.Stead and her Committee for
the excellent fieldwork carried out in surveying the
existing footpaths and new diversions.

Ex R.A.F. Houses, Souters Lane.

These are soon to be occupied by Army Personnel from



the 224, Signals Squadron, Old Woodhouse, and it was by way of an introduction to the community that an invitation to attend the meeting had been extended to Major Foote.

Car Parking Facilities, Village Centre.

No further progress had been made with this problem. Councillor Scarlett had taken this up on behalf of the Parish Council, but had been unable to improve on the two proposed sites. It was agreed that these were far from ideal. It was reported from the meeting that since the introduction of double yellow lines in the village centre, there had been difficulties created by parking in the entrance to the Hall Drive, and in Seymour Road beyond the yellow lines.

Village Handbells.

Mrs. Priest has now left the village, and anyone in the village wishing to use the bells may do so on application to Mr. Bell, 20, Springfield Close.

Mains Gas Supply to the Village.

This had been taken up on behalf of the Parish Council by Mr. Michael Latham, M.P., but unfortunately without success. Details of the discussion between the E.M. Gas and Mr. Latham had been published on the Parish Notice Board.

Bus Service to Nottingham.

This service had been altered and now included Burton, thus avoiding the changing of buses at Wymeswold.

The Chairman also reported on a proposed circular bus service starting and finishing at Loughborough, and connecting the villages of Barrow, Walton, Burton, Wymeswold, Hoton and Cotes. The Parish Council had asked the County Council to look into the possibilities of such a service being made available, and negotiations between the County Council and the Trent Motor Company had been taking place. Unfortunately prior to this meeting the Parish Council had been informed that due to the present economic situation this scheme had been shelved.

The Chairman informed the meeting that the Parish Council would be taking this up again with the County Council.

Parish Allotments.

During the past year the Parish Council had received 10 applications for Allotments, and the Council with the



guidance of the District Valuer was in the process of negotiating for the purchase of a suitable piece of land. It was too early in the procedure of these negotiations to be able to give any definite information.

30 m.p.h. Restrictions, Barrow Road and Loughborough Road.

The Chairman was pleased to report that after many requests by the Parish Council, and finally with the help of Mr. Latham, M.P., the County Council had at last agreed to extend the 30 m.p.h. restrictions to a point just beyond the County Junior School on the Barrow Road. The County Council had also notified the Parish Council of their intentions to extend the 30 m.p.h. restrictions on the Loughborough Road.

Village Brook.

The Chairman informed the meeting that the Borough of Charnwood was now the authority responsible for the maintenance of the village brook. During recent heavy rains the two culverts in Brook Street had proved adequate, but the guard grid required constant attention at flood times. The Chairman reported that this work had been undertaken voluntarily by Mr. Oakland, Mr. Searson, and Mr. Capps, for which the Parish was most grateful.

The Chairman also reported that due to restrictions on County Council expenditure, the making of Brook Street into a through road, and the alteration to the village centre had been postponed.

Parish Hall.

With the increased population of the village, the Parish Council felt there was a real need for a larger Village Hall, provided and maintained by the parish rates. With this in mind the Charnwood Borough Council had, on behalf of the Parish Council, approached the Ministry of Defence with a view to purchasing a piece of land off Barrow Road for the erection of such a building. Unfortunately this application had been turned down, but on being given further details of the situation regarding existing facilities for social activities, the Defence Land Agent had promised to look into this further.

Wymeswold Airfield.

Referring to the future use of Wymeswold Airfield by



the Army, the Chairman gave a report of a meeting between the three Parish Councils bordering on the Airfield and the Ministry of Defence.

The Parish Councils were informed that the Airfield will be used by small parties of troops from the T.A.V.R. and Cadet Units, and by Regular Army and R.A.F. Units.

The training periods will be of 48 hours duration, and the number of troops will not exceed 200 at any one time. Assurance was given that the training activities will not be escalated, and that the Airfield and the surrounding roads will definitely not be used for army driver training. The training will be Field Combat using pyrotechnics and flares, the noise from these being minimal.

The existing 30 metre range will be used for firing practise, but the meeting was assured that the noise from the type of weapons to be used is also minimal.

Apart from firing on the 30 metre range, there will be no live ammunition used in the training. and live ammunition will not be stored on the Airfield.

Training will be confined to the East side of the Airfield between the perimeter track and the boundary fence.

Entrance for the visiting army units will be from the Hoton - Wymeswold road only.

The Ministry of Defence will carry out a certain amount of tree planting, this will help the field training facilities, and also improve the visual amenities of the Airfield.

The main runway and one subsidiary runway are being taken up, leaving one runway which is used by the Police Force and the Fire Service to carry out research into the problem of dealing with multiple motorway crashes.

It is the wish of the Ministry of Defence that this important work by these services should continue unhindered. The Parish Councils were given assurance that they will receive prior notice of training periods, and notices to this effect will be published on the Parish Notice Boards of the three parishes adjoining the Airfield. Reference was made by Mr. Bell to a Bridlepath which, before the Airfield was made crossed over from Burton to the Hoton - Wymeswold road, and the Defence Land Agent was asked if this Bridlepath could be re-opened. The Defence Land Agent promised to look into this.

Street Lighting Fund Surplus.

The Chairman reported that this Fund was now exhausted, and gave details of the Balance Sheet to the meeting, a copy of which is being placed on the Notice Board.

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE STREET LIGHTING FUND SURPLUS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance in Deposit Account 1-4-73	£664.01
Interest, 1-4-73 to 1-2-74	48.25

V.A.T. Refund.

Pel Ltd.	18.00
Gerard Gamble.	5.56
Harry Prince.	5.50
Lythwon.	4.67
Charles Wicksteed.	39.60
Harry Prince.	00.74
Harry Prince.	3.62
	<u>£789.95</u>

EXPENSES

E.M.E.Board. To removing existing Street Lamp Brackets.	£ 13.00
Pel Ltd. Chairs for Village Hall.	198.00
Gerard Gamble. Crockery for Burton Friendship Club.	60.00
Harry Prince, Sports Equipment for Burton Cricket Club.	55.00
Lythwon, Play Equipment for Burton Pre-School Play Group.	51.35
Charles Wicksteed, Play Equipment for Playing Field.	260.60
Harry Prince, Equipment for Burton Table Tennis Club.	59.39
Donation to Memorial Hall Management Committee (Part payment of total cost of £140.00 for repairs to Hall).	92.00
Transferred to Parish Council's General Expenditure Account.	00.61
	<u>£789.95</u>

Parish Council Expenses.

Details of the General Expenditure Account were given by the Chairman, who reported that in the past years the balance at the end of each financial year had always been small. The annual expenses were now just over £400. Mindful of the increasing costs, and the possibility of having to purchase land for Allotments, the Parish Council had precepted for £980 during the current year. This represented a 1.2 P Rate, the product of a 1P Rate for 1975-6 being £822.00

In conclusion the Chairmandrew the attention of the meeting to the photographs and records exhibited round the Hall of bygone Burton. The Chairman thanked all those who had kindly loaned the photographs, and in particular Mrs. Stead, who had arranged the exhibition in the first instance for the Annual General Meeting of the Wolds Footpath Group.

The Chairman asked for anyone having old photographs or records of the Parish, if they so wished to deposit them with the Parish Council for safe keeping, and for display on some future occasion.

Councillor Branston's Report.

Speaking on the County Rate and Expenditure, Councillor Branston stated that the County Council was doing everything possible to keep the increase in the County Rates to a minimum. There had been a cut in the County Services and of these Education had suffered the most.

Replying to a question on all night street lighting, Councillor Branston stated that it had been proved more economical to have street lamps lit all night, than to keep adjusting them for the varying hours of darkness. Referring to the footpath alongside Wymeswold Lane, Councillor Branston reported that if necessary the County Council will reinstate this path at the point where the water main crosses it, and charge the cost to the Dove Water Board.

Councillor Branston referred to the re-occupation of the R.A.F. Married Quarters, and said that this could necessitate extra accommodation at the County Junior School. At the present time there were 20 places available. Major Foote assured the meeting that there will be close liason between the Army and the Education Department concerning this matter.

Councillor Scarlett's Report.

Councillor Scarlett reiterated the remarks of Councillor

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Branston concerning the need for economy, but was concerned at the decision taken by the Severn - Trent Water Authority to postpone the proposed new sewerage scheme for Burton to 1979. The Borough of Charnwood however was making further representations to the Severn - Trent Water Board to try and improve on the date for this scheme. ^{said} Councillor Scarlett that the failure to obtain a main gas supply to the village was a disappointment, but further efforts would be made in the future, Referring to the village brook, Councillor Scarlett confirmed that the maintenance of the brook was now the responsibility of the Charnwood Borough Council.

Mr. Longdon's Report.

Mr. Longdon thanked the Chairman for the opportunity to attend the meeting, and reported that in the interests of economy there will be no expansion of public services. The Charnwood Borough Council was however setting aside money to purchase land when the financial climate improves.

The provision of free dustbins was proving to be too costly, and was being discontinued.

Mr. Longdon was able to report that the Severn-Trent Water Authority was reconsidering the village sewerage scheme.

Any other
Business.

A complaint was made concerning a shrub causing obstruction on the pavement adjacent to No. 24, Melton Road. The Chairman promised to look into this.

Car Parking Facilities in the Village Centre.

A question was asked concerning the progress made with this, and it was reported that no better ideas had been forthcoming. It was considered that the request to remove part of the yellow line system in the village square would prove difficult to obtain.

Request for a Doctor's Surgery in the Village.

The meeting expressed the need for a Surgery in the village, and to help with this problem it was suggested that voluntary lifts to the Surgery at Barrow might be re-considered.


The Rev. Everitt informed the meeting that as a member of the Community Health Council he is able to place any request or complaint concerning problems of this nature before the Council.

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In order to help those in the village who were confined to their houses and unable to get about easily, it was suggested that a system whereby a card is placed in the window by anyone requiring help might be introduced. The Chairman suggested that perhaps the Friendship Club might be able to help in the organisation of this scheme.

Mr. Brooks wished to thank the County Council for re-surfacing the Brookside Footpath.

There were no further questions raised, and the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50 p.m.



27.12.76

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN
THE VILLAGE HALL ON FRIDAY, 2ND. MAY, 1975, AT 7-30 P.M.

Present.

Mr.J.R.Bell, Chairman, Miss M.I.Fletcher,
Messrs. C.A.Betts, G.M.Enright, and B.Moore.

Apologies.

Apologies for absence were received from County
Councillor T.A.S.Branston, and Charnwood Borough
Councillor B.Scarlett.

Minutes.

Copies of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on 17th.March,1975, having been previously
circulated, were confirmed as being correct, and were
signed by the Chairman

Matters arising.

Village Hall Boundary Fence.

No further progress had been made with the repairs to
this fence.

On the proposition of Mr.Betts, seconded by Mr.Enright,
it was agreed that a letter be sent to the Memorial
Hall Management Committee advising them that the Parish
Council may well have to consider retention of part of
the £92.00 the Council has agreed to donate towards
the urgent repairs to the fabric of the Hall, in order
to pay for the completion of the repairs of the front
fence, unless work is re-commenced before other repair
work is put in hand.

Bridlepath from Burton to the Hoton-Wymeswold Road.

~~Following~~ Following a request made by Mr.Bell at the recent
meeting between the Ministry of Defence and the Parish
Councils adjacent to the Airfield to re-open this
Bridlepath. The Defence Land Agent had replied
stating that he was looking into this.

The Land Agent wished to know the number of persons
likely to use this facility.

The Clerk was asked to obtain this information from
the Wolds Footpath Group and the local horse riders,
and to forward the details to the Land Agent.

Culvert Grid, Brook Street.

A letter had been received from Mrs.Capp, pointing out
that her husband, Mr.Capp had also done voluntary
work in helping to keep this grid clear during the
recent heavy rains. The Clerk reported that he had
written to Mrs.Capp apologizing for this omission in

the report of the Council's business in the Loughborough Echo, and at the same time informing her that Mr.Capp's name would be included in the report being sent to the parish magazine.

Allotments.

A letter had been received from the District Valuation Officer asking for a plan indicating the situation of the proposed site, and informing the Council, that upon receipt of this he will then inspect the site, and arrange to meet Mr.Seal.

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had obtained a plan from the Borough of Charnwood Chief Technical Officer, and had forwarded it to the District Valuer.

Rating Assessment, Cliff Works, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

A letter had been received from the District Valuation Officer stating that it was not in his official capacity to take any action in apportioning the rates accrued from the new building development taking place at these Works.

Village Hall Repairs.

A letter from the Secretary of the Memorial Hall Management Committee had been received thanking the Council for agreeing to make a donation towards the cost of the repairs to the Hall, and advising the Council that the contractor had been instructed to proceed with the work.

Land off Barrow Road for proposed Parish Hall.

A letter had been received from the Defence Land Agent, Newmarket, stating that he was pursuing with the enquiries into the possibility of the piece of land fronting the Officers Married Quarters off Barrow Road being made available for the building of a Parish Hall.

Proposed Circular Bus Service.

The County Engineer and Surveyor had replied to the Parish Council's request for a Circular Bus Service linking the villages of Cotes, Hoton, Wymeswold, Burton, Walton, and Barrow.

The Transportation Sub-Committee had considered this request, and had passed the following resolution:-

"The report of the County Engineer and Surveyor relating to the request from Burton, Wymeswold, and Walton Parish Councils for a circular bus service linking villages in the area be noted, and that the Parish Councils be

informed that in view of the prevailing financial climate, the County Council cannot consider embarking on such a proposal at the present time".

This information was received with regret, and the Clerk was asked to write to the County Engineer and Surveyor expressing the Council's regret, and at the same time asking for the results of the recent Public Transport Survey.

Election of Chairman for 1975-6.

The Chairman asked for nominations for Chairman for 1975-6, and on the proposition of Mr. Betts, seconded by Miss Fletcher, it was agreed that Mr. Bell be re-elected Chairman. Upon accepting the office, Mr. Bell thanked the meeting, and duly signed the Form of Acceptance of Office.

Election of Vice-Chairman.

The Chairman then asked for nominations for the office of Vice-Chairman, and on the proposition of Miss Fletcher, seconded by Mr. Enright, Mr. Moore was re-elected Vice-Chairman, and accepted the office.

Election of Representatives to attend the Association of Parish Council Meetings and the Charnwood Committee Meetings.

It was agreed that Mr. Enright and the Clerk should continue to represent the Parish Council at these meetings.

Correspondence.

Planning Application.

The following Planning Application had been received. 75/0511/2, 6-3-75, Bailey, J., Renewal of planning consent for flat over garage premises, 30, Melton Road, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

No objection was raised to this application.

Notice of Audit.

The Audit of the Accounts for the year ending 31st. March, 1975, commences on Wed. 18th. June, 1975, and attendance is required on 30th. June, at 11-30 a.m. A notice to this effect will be placed on the Parish Notice Board.

Cheques.

The following cheques were authorised and signed.
Cornhill Insurance Co.

'Renewal of Insurances,

£7.18 ✓

P.F.Oswin, Stationery, Photo-copying, and heating of Hall for Parish Meeting.	£5.53✓
Leics. Assc. of Parish Councils, Annual subscription, Financial Statement, Local Council Administration.	£25.10✓
Leics. Footpath Association, Annual subscription,	£1.00✓

Publishing of Parish Council Notes in the Link.

In view of the rising costs of publishing the Parochial Magazine the Link, the Chairman proposed that the Parish Council pays for the insertion of Council notes up to the cost of one page (i.e. two sides), the charge for this is £2.00. This was seconded by Mr.Enright and agreed upon.

Any other
business.

Proposed new footpath on South side of Melton Road.

A proposal from the District Surveyor had been put forward by Mr.Branston for a new path to be made on the South side of the Melton Road, extending from the Greyhound Inn to the Hall Drive entrance.

It was agreed that discussion on this should be postponed until the next meeting, when it was hoped Mr.Branston would be able to attend.

Registration with Doctors in Loughborough.

In view of the difficulties expressed at the recent Parish Meeting of patients getting to the Surgery at Barrow, the Clerk was asked to write to the Family Medical Practitioners Committee, asking if there is any reason why parishioners should not register with Doctors in Loughborough.

A copy of this letter is to be sent to the North West Leicestershire Community Council.

Complaint from Council House Tenant.

Miss Fletcher reported having received a complaint from Mrs.Brown, 12, Seymour Road, concerning an overgrown hedge at the back of her Council bungalow. This was causing loss of light to the rooms.

The Chairman agreed to raise this with Mr.Scarlett.

There was no further business, and the Chairman closed the meeting at 10-15p.m.


20.6.75

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD AT THE
RESIDENCE OF MR.BELL ON FRIDAY, 20TH. JUNE, 1975,
AT 7-30 P.M.

Present.

Mr.J.R.Bell, Chairman, Miss M.I.Fletcher, Messrs.
C.A.Betts, G.M.Enright, S.Eggleston, and County
Councillor T.A.S.Branston.

Apologies.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from
Mr.B.Moore, and Mr.B.Scarlett.

Minutes.

Copies of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting
held on 2nd. May, 1975, having been previously
circulated, were confirmed as being correct, and were
signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising

Parish Allotments.

The Clerk reported that no further information had
been received since the last meeting.

It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Mr.Seal
in order to find out the latest position regarding
the negotiations between his agent and the District
Valuer.

Results of the Public Transport Survey.

Details of this Survey had been received from the
County Engineer and were presented to the meeting.
The urgent need for public transport between Burton
and Barrow was still the main concern of the parishioners.
The Clerk was asked to write again to the County
Council expressing these views, and stating that the
Parish Council fully supported County Councillor
Branston in his efforts to persuade both the County
Council and the Bus Company to provide this service.

Proposed Footpath on the South side of Melton Road.

This was discussed at some length and it was the
opinion of the meeting that there would be a certain
amount of danger to pedestrians using a path on that
side of the road, chiefly from large vehicles rounding
the bend.

Instead of a path it was suggested that the existing
small grass verge should be kerbed to facilitate
sweeping by the Mechanical Sweeper.

Finally it was agreed to leave the grass verge as it
is for the time being, and not to proceed with the
making of a footpath.



Registration with Loughborough Doctors.

No reply had been received from the Family Practitioners Committee concerning parishioners wishing to register with Doctors in Loughborough.

The Chairman reported that he had been informed that there was no restrictions on patients wishing to register with Doctors at Loughborough.

Tipping on the Burton Common.

Mr. Branston gave a detailed report on his discussions with the Brush Fusegear Company, the County Council, and Charnwood Borough Council.

Mr. Branston's enquiries had resulted in the Brush Fusegear Company agreeing to cover with soil the small clinker and coal dust they had deposited on the Common. The Company had also given their assurance that they would not carry out any further dumping of industrial waste on the Common. However it had been pointed out to Mr. Branston by the Company's representative that other dumping had occurred, namely a large heap of sugar beet. The meeting agreed that the farmer concerned, Mr. F. Bailey, Cliffe Farm, should be asked to remove the sugar beet as soon as possible.

Mr. Branston also reported that he had reminded the District Surveyor of his promise to level the initial dumping on the Common opposite the Wymeswold Lane.

The Chairman asked that the Council's thanks to Mr. Branston for his efforts in dealing with this problem be recorded in these Minutes.

Correspondence Sites for Recreational purposes.

A letter had been received from the Borough of Charnwood Secretary asking if the Parish Council was in a position to suggest further possible sites for recreational use within the parish.

It was agreed to put forward the following three requirements:-

1. Land for Parish Hall. Negotiations are proceeding with the Defence Land Agent for a piece of land off Barrow Road for this purpose.
 2. Land for Parish Allotments. The Parish Council with the assistance of the District Valuer is negotiating for some land from Mr. R. Seal.
 3. Burton Playing Field. The Parish Council is considering purchasing the Burton Playing Field which at present is managed and maintained by a voluntary Committee, and is registered as a Charity.
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Correspondence
continued.

Planning Applications.

The following Planning Applications had been received.

75/0862/2, 25-4-75, Scottorn, H.M.,
Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of new
dwelling. 36, Souters Lane, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/1043/2, 14-5-75, Guy, A., Lounge and dining room
extension, 1, Springfield Close, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/1073/2, 16-5-75, Mr. M. Badham, Calf rearing unit,
Ashbrook Farm, Six Hills, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/0986/2, 8-5-75, Mrs. P. M. Babington-Smith,
Proposed Agricultural Building adjacent Seymour Road,
Burton-on-the-Wolds.

No objections were raised to the first three applications
but it was agreed to ask for further details on
application 75/0986/2.

Meeting concerning Wymeswold Airfield held at Borough
of Charnwood Council Offices, Southfields, Loughborough,
on 19th. March, 1975.

A copy of the Minutes of this meeting had been received
and it was agreed that this should be circulated to
all members of the Council.

Prestwold Parochial Charities.

Statements of the Accounts for these Charities for the
year ending 31st. Dec. 1974, were presented to the meeting.


Any other business Mowing of grassed areas on Springfield Close.

Complaints had been received concerning the way the
mowing of the grassed areas had been carried out by the
County Council. Mr. Branston agreed to take this up
with the appropriate Department.

Footpath, Springfield Close to Barrow Road.

The Chairman reported that horses were being led along
this footpath which resulted in the subsequent fouling
of the path.

It was suggested that a barrier be erected at the
Barrow Road end of the path, this would then prevent
horses entering the path, and at the same time prevent
children riding their cycles out of the path straight on
to Barrow Road. The Clerk was asked to raise this with
the County Engineer.



There was no further business, and the Chairman
declared the meeting closed.

 28.7.75

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE VILLAGE
HALL ON MONDAY, 23TH. JULY, 1975, AT 7-30 P.M.

Present. Mr.J.R.Bell, Chairman, MissM.I.Fletcher, Messrs. C.A.Betts,
and S.Eggleston, County Councillor T.A.S.Branston and
District Councillor B.Scarlett.

Apology. An apology for non-attendance was received from
Mr.B.Moore.

Minutes. The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting dated 20-6-75

Matters arising. Parish Allotments. (were confirmed and signed).

The District Valuer wished to know if the Parish Council
was considering exercising it's powers of compulsory
purchase in the event of an agreement not being reached
over the purchase price of the land for the proposed
Parish Allotments.

It was agreed not to use the Compulsory Purchasing
Powers.

Registration with Loughborough Doctors.


Replies had now been received from both the Family
Practitioners Committee, and the North West Leicestershire
Community Health Council.

Both letters stated that the Loughborough Doctors were
not prepared to accept patients from Burton, andalthough
some residents were finding it difficult to attend the
Surgery at Barrow, the distance of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles was not
considered to be excessive. The Health Council was of
the opinion that much of the inconvenience could be
relieved by a more adequate bus service.

The Rev.W.F.J.Everitt attending the meeting in his
rights as a local government elector, is also a member
of the Community Health Council, and had received
copies of this correspondence.

The Rev.Everitt had obtained the journey times involved
in order to travel to Barrow from Burton via.
Loughborough and Quorn. These had proved to be of
long duration as well as costly, the return fare being
90P.

On the proposition of Mr.Betts, it was agreed to write
to the County Engineer giving a list of all the
difficulties involved in getting to Barrow from Burton
by bus, together with the information that the
Loughborough Doctors were not prepared to accept patients
from Burton. The letter to also include a further
request for the County Council to support a rural bus
route linking Barrow and Burton.



Mr.Branston agreed to support this request at the next meeting of the County Transportation Committee.

Mowing of grassed areas on Springfield Close.

Mr.Branston had taken this up with the District Surveyor, but asked that the Parish Council makes a complaint direct to the District Surveyor. It was also agreed to make a request for the grassed area within the white railings on Melton Road to be cut.

Planning Application, Ref. No. 75/0986/2, 8-5-75.

Mrs.P.M.Babington-Smith, Proposed Agricultural Building adj. to Seymour, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

Details of this building had been received from the Charnwood Borough Council Planning Department.

In view of the size of the building and the location, it was agreed to put forward the following objections:-

1. The use of this building by farm vehicles would inevitably lead to an increase of traffic of slow moving vehicles in and out of Seymour Road at the village centre. The dangerous hazard at these cross roads, especially due to vehicles coming out of Seymour Road has been fully accepted by the County Council, who have a plan to open up the end of Brook Street, to form a one way system in Seymour Road. This plan however, has been postponed for some years due to the restrictions on capital expenditure.
2. The Parish Council feel (and have discussed favourably with the County Council Officers) that, following the opening up of the end of Brook Street it would be a natural follow up to extend the end of Seymour Road to Loughborough Road, hence creating a complete East to West one way system in the village. The erection of this building would interfere with this scheme.
3. The proposed building has been sited on footpath No. 99A, which has recently been re-routed at the request of the land owner and son of Mrs.Babington-Smith, Mr.Packe-Drury-Lowe. The original route is clearly shown dotted on the site plan, and also indicated is the re-routing in blue on the returned drawing. The path now follows the edge of the watercourse, and the reason for the request to re-route was to avoid walking across growing crops. Both the Parish Council and the Leicestershire Footpath Association agreed to the re-routing.
4. It would seem unnecessary to erect such a large and

unsightly building within the village perimeter, when the applicant has such a vast area away from the village precincts, and where such a building would be considerably less detrimental to the overall village scene.

Correspondence. Land for proposed Parish Hall.

A letter from the Defence Land Agent offered an alternative site to the one adjacent to the Married Officers Houses on Barrow Road. The alternative site was part of the School Playing Field, and was not considered at all a suitable site for a Parish Hall. It was agreed to write to the Defence Land Agent giving the following objections to the alternative site, and the reasons for the preference of the original site.

1. The school playing field being the main play area for the school is used three times a day for outdoor activities under supervision, and the Council considers that the land behind the Married Officers Houses offered to compensate for the loss of a portion of the school playing field is too remote from the existing play area.
2. There is already an electric sub-station standing on the area edged green on the plan, and the Council would need approximately half of the school playing field for car parking facilities.
3. The piece of land Ref. No. 6372 on the plan in front of the Married Officers Houses is already developed as a village playing field. It is the Council's intention that the new Parish Hall should also serve as a pavillion with changing facilities for activities on the village playing field, and the original site situated as it is between the playing field and the school would provide car parking facilities for both the Parish Hall and the school, particularly for the school bus off-loading and loading. The Parish Council understands that the School Authorities are looking for a suitable site for the parking of vehicles visiting the school. The Parish Hall could also be made available for school activities.
4. The Parish Council has noted that the Married Officers Houses are empty and have been for some considerable time.

Planning Applications.

Notice of the following Planning Applications had been received.

75/1280/2, 12-6-75, Williams, M.J., Loft conversion, 32, Springfield Close. Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/1221/2, 4-6-75, Dale, D., Provision of new vehicular access, 25, Barrow Road, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/1383/2, 25-6-75, Department of the Environment, Proposed Army military Training facilities, Wymeswold Airfield, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/1578/2, 18-7-75, R.M.H. Builders, Proposed erection of two detached bungalows, Seymour Road, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

Further details had been requested and received for Application No. 75/1280/2. The adjoining neighbours had been informed of the application by the Planning Dept., and on the proposition of Mr. Betts it was agreed to make no further comments on this application.

It was agreed to ask for further details of Application No. 75/1578/2.

Notice had been taken of an application by the Department of the Environment (No. 75/1440/2, Informal Enquiry), concerning the use of land for industrial development and/or warehousing on Wymeswold Airfield.

Although the land is in the Prestwold Parish it was felt that any further industrial development in this area could effect the Burton Parish.

A request for further information concerning this development had been made and a plan received.


The Council's views had been made known to the Planning Department.

village Fountain, (Lions Mouth).

Enquiries had been made into the necessary procedure to obtain a Protection Order on this Fountain. As much information on the background to the fountain, including the date of erection was required. The Clerk was instructed to proceed with these enquiries.

Memorial Village Hall, Financial Grant.

A request had been received from the Management Committee of the Memorial Hall asking if the Parish Council would consider making an annual grant towards the maintenance of the Hall.



The Chairman thought that some form of financial help might be made, but would like to know what help, if any was given by neighbouring Parish Councils to their village halls. The Clerk was asked to try and obtain this information.

On the proposition of Mr.Betts, seconded by Mr.Eggleston, it was agreed that a grant should be made towards specific decoration costs, which would be individually considered.

Village Quiz.

The Parish Council had entered the village in a Village Quiz competition arranged by the Leicestershire Rural Community Council and B.B.C. Radio Leicester.

Cheques.

The following cheques were authorised and signed:-

Clerk's Telephone Account, May,1975.	£17.79 ✓
Leicestershire County Council, Mowing services on Playing Field.	£58.30 ✓
Department of the Environment, Audit Fee for year ending 31-3-75,	£18.36 ✓
P.F.Oswin, Photo-copying of Minutes on 17-6-75 and 21-7-75,	£ 1.12 ✓

Clerk's Telephone expenses.

The Clerk reported that the payment in full of the Clerk's Telephone Account was not accepted by the District Auditor at the recent Audit.

Only payment of the Telephone Rent, and calls made on Parish Council business could be allowed.

It was agreed that the Clerk should make a note of the calls on behalf of the Council, together with the duration if possible, and report to the next meeting.

Date of the next meeting.

The next meeting was arranged for Thursday, 28th. Aug. 1975, at 7-30 p.m.

Any other business.

Mr.Betts made a request on behalf of the Playing Field Management Committee for a grant of £350.00 towards the cost of Tennis Courts.

The Chairman pointed out that as this was raised under any other business, a decision could not be made, but moved that the request be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting, when it was hoped there would be a full attendance of the Council. This was agreed upon.

There was no further business, and the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 11.45 p.m.

A handwritten signature, possibly 'J.B.', with the initials 'J.B.' written below it.

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY, 28TH. AUGUST, 1975, AT 7-30 P.M.

- Present. Mr.J.R.Bell, Chairman, Miss M.I.Fletcher, Messrs. S.Eggleston, G.M.Enright, C.A.Betts, and District Councillor B.Scarlett.
- Apology. Apologies for non-attendance were received from Mr.Moore and County Councillor Branston.
- Minutes. Copies of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 28th.July,1975, having been previously circulated were confirmed as being correct, and were signed by the Chairman.
Rural Bus Service.
- Matters arising. Copies of letters to Mr.Branston from the County Secretary were read to the meeting. These indicated that the points put forward by Mr.Branston and the Parish Council would be given further consideration when the County Council's own budget estimates are being prepared for 1966-7. The meeting agreed that Mr.Branston should be asked to continue in his efforts to gain the County Council's consent to provide a Rural Bus Service between Burton and Barrow.
- Site for proposed Parish Hall.
- A letter from the Defence Land Agent noted the points raised by the Parish Council concerning the siting of the proposed new Parish Hall. The Land Agent will be writing again upon receiving information from Headquarters.
- Memorial Village Hall.
- A letter had been received from Messrs. Walters, Vandercom, and Hart, Solicitors acting for His Grace, The Duke of Somerset. The letter stated that His Grace had received letters suggesting that the Memorial Hall is in a bad state of repair, and asked if information could be given on the present position. The Clerk reported that he had already replied to this letter giving details of the financial help given to the Memorial Hall by the Parish Council, and that repairs and re-decoration of the Hall had been put in hand by the Management Committee.
- Village Quiz.
- The Chairman reported that arrangements were now complete for the Village Quiz, which is to be held at Walton-on-the-Wolds Village Hall on Thursday, September 18th. 1975. The villages taking part in this contest are Burton, Walton and Barrow. An adjudicator to assist in the scoring was required. Mr.Bell was asked to undertake this duty, and agreed to do so.
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The Chairman reported that the recommendations of the Headmaster of Burton Junior School were taken when the junior member of the team was chosen.

Correspondence. Footpath, Springfield Close to Barrow Road, and request for Safety Barrier at Barrow Road end of the path.

Negotiations with the owner of the land over which this footpath runs are proceeding to see if he is willing to dedicate the land to enable formal adoption to take place. The County Engineer is including the path in the next batch of "No Cycling" orders.

The possible erection of a Safety Barrier at the Barrow Road end is being considered by the Divisional Surveyor, and the Parish Council will be informed of his decision in due course.

Planning Applications.

Notice of the following Planning Applications had been received.

75/1759/2, 8-8-75, Mr. and Mrs. Parker, Change of use of Cowshed into kennels for dogs and cats. Melton Road, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/1787/2, 12-8-75, Hickton, R.H.J. Retention of Caravan, Souters Lane, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

There were no objections raised to these Applications.

Playing Field. Request from the Playing Field Association for a grant towards the completion of Tennis Courts.

A request had been received from the Burton Playing Field Association for a grant of £350 towards the completion of tennis courts on the Playing Field. Cost details of the project were presented, and the meeting was also informed that a request for a similar amount was being made to the Borough of Charnwood. After a lengthy discussion, and on the proposition of Mr. Enright, seconded by Mr. Eggleston, it was agreed to make a grant of £350 (Three Hundred and Fifty Pounds) towards the purchase of specific items for the completion of the tennis courts.

Memorial Village Hall.

Request from the Management Committee for a grant towards the cost of re-decorating the Hall.

Following the request from the Memorial Hall Management Committee for the Parish Council to make

an annual grant towards the running costs of the Hall, details had now been received of the estimate for the re-decoration of the interior and exterior of the Hall. The Management Committee had accepted the lowest estimate for this work of £215.00.

On the proposition of Mr. Betts, seconded by Mr. Enright, it was agreed to make a grant of £215.00 for the re-decoration.

The Council noted that the decoration of the small rooms in the Hall had been carried out by volunteers.

Parish
Allotments.

The District Valuer's report Ref.No. OGD6955/CRB/JA, had been received, authorising the purchase of a piece of Agricultural Land including OS544, comprising a net area of 4500 square yards, dimensions 324ft. x 126ft. approximately, situated in the Parish of Burton, at a cost of £1,000 (One Thousand Pounds).

The Surveyors fees of £40.83 together with the proper Legal Costs would also be payable by the Parish Council. The above compensation is in full and final settlement under all heads of claim, and it is understood that the vendor will erect a suitable fence on the Western boundary.

On the proposition of the Chairman, seconded by Miss Fletcher, it was agreed to purchase this piece of land at the price agreed upon by the District Valuer. It was also agreed to write to the Treasurer of the Borough of Charnwood, asking for a letter of authority for an allocation of £1200 from the Public Works Loan Board to cover the cost of the land and the Legal Charges, and to ask for details of the Public Works Loan Board repayment terms for varying periods.

The Clerk was instructed to inform the District Valuer and Mr. Seal's Solicitors, Messrs. Moss, Toone and Deane of the Council's decision, and to obtain the services of a Solicitor to act on behalf of the Parish Council in the transaction.

Cheque.

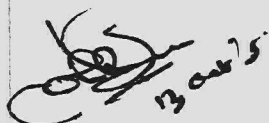
A cheque for £8.95 was authorised and signed for the following items.

Clerk's telephone rent, 1st. Aug. to 31st. Oct.	£8.25 ✓
Photo-copying of Minutes, 20th. Aug.	0.70 ✓

Date of next
meeting.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for Monday, 13th. Oct. 1975, at 7-30 p.m.

There was no further business and the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50 p.m.



A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY, 13TH. OCTOBER, 1975,
AT 7-30P.M.

Present.

Mr.J.R.Bell, Chairman, Miss M.I.Fletcher,
Messrs. S.Eggleston, G.M.Enright, C.A.Betts, B.Moore,
and Councillor B.Scarlett.

Apology.

An apology for non-attendance was received from
County Councillor T.A.S.Branston.

The Chairman welcomed the return of the Vice-Chairman,
Mr.B.Moore, after his recent stay in hospital.

Minutes.

Copies of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting
held on 28th.August,1975, having been previously
circulated, were confirmed as being correct, and
were signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising.

Rural Bus Service.

A reply had been received from the County Council
concerning the proposed bus service linking Burton
and Barrow.

The County Council had been making enquiries into the
possibilities of Burton patients visiting the
Wymeswold Surgery which is held at 12 o'clock on
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and gave details
of bus times which enables this to be done.

The meeting could not accept this as a solution to
the problem for the following reasons:-

The mid-day Surgery would only suit a small section
of the community.

It was understood that the Wymeswold Surgery was
primarily for patients residing in Wymeswold.

There is no appointment system in operation at the
Wymeswold Surgery, and with the Doctors sometimes
unavoidably arriving late for the Surgery, this made
the catching of the return bus at 12-59 uncertain.

It was agreed to write to the County Council giving
the reasons for the Wymeswold Surgery not being a
satisfactory solution to the problem, and ask for
pressure to be made to get the Loughborough Doctors
to accept patients from Burton.

Site for proposed Parish Hall.

No further communication had been received since the
last meeting.

Matters arising Footpath, Springfield Close to Barrow Road, and request
continued. for safety barrier at the Barrow Road end of this path.

A letter from the County Engineer stated that a barrier had been erected at the Springfield Close end of the path. The County Council had been informed that the owner of the land upon which the footpath lies uses the path for vehicular access to the wood adjacent to the path.

The County Council is trying to establish if there is legal vehicular access from Barrow Road, and if this is so, then it would not be possible to erect a barrier at this end, and also it would not be possible to apply a No Cycling order on the path.

Negotiations over the ownership of the land upon which the path lies are still proceeding.

The Clerk reported on a telephone conversation with an officer at the Northern Divisional Office, Melton Mowbray. This officer had reported that in order for the County Council to apply a No Cycling order on the path, the land would have to be dedicated to the County Council by the owner. The owner had made it a condition of dedication that no barrier should be erected at the Barrow Road end, this had therefore been abandoned. The Clerk was asked to write to the Northern Divisional Surveyor giving details of the telephone conversation, and asking for confirmation of it.

Mowing of Springfield Close Estate.

A letter from the Divisional Surveyor gave the reasons for the poor quality of the mowing of the grassed areas on this Estate. This was due to a change in the type of mowing machines used, this had been made in the interest of economy of maintenance.

The Divisional Surveyor maintained that the quality of the mowing was still at an acceptable level.

The meeting did not agree with the contents of this letter, and the Clerk was instructed to inform the Divisional Surveyor of this.

It was agreed that a copy of this letter, together with one of the letter concerning the Barrow Road, Springfield Close Footpath be sent to Mr. Branston.

Correspondence Field Footpath I3, and Bridlepath H91.

The Chairman and the Clerk had been invited to attend a meeting of the Wolds Footpath Group, when the diversion of these paths due to extensive ploughing were discussed.

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Although these two paths started in the Burton Parish, practically the whole length of the paths was in the Prestwold Parish.

Proposed diversions had been put forward by the land-owner, Mr. Packe-Drury-Lowe, and agreement had been reached on Footpath 13.

Unfortunately difficulties had arisen over the bridle-path H91, and in the event of an agreement not being reached, this path would remain on its original line, and would therefore be crossing open plough.

The Council was sympathetic with the Wolds Footpath Group over these difficulties, but bearing in mind that the paths were in the Prestwold Parish, it was felt that the only action that could be taken was to ask the County Engineer to ensure that the legal requirements for the ploughing up of field footpaths is carried out by the land-owner.

Planning Applications.

Notice of the following Planning Applications had been received:-

75/1972/2, 3-9-75, Mead, H.B. Proposed erection of Car Port, 10, Somerset Close, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/1976/2, 3-9-75, Wall, R., Proposed erection of a Garage, Brook Fields Farm, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/1980/2, 4-9-75, Stewart, P.E. Renovation and alterations to Burton Farm Cottage, Seymour Road, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/2074/2, 15-9-75, Burton-on-the-Wolds Playing Field Association, Extension to Pavilion, Barrow Road, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

75/2029/2, 10-9-75, Gamble, R., Garage, Utility Room and Porch, 1, Mundy Close, Burton-on-the-Wolds.

There were no objections to these applications.

Membership of Managing and Governing Bodies of Primary, Special and Secondary Schools.

A letter had been received from the Director of Education giving details of who may, and who may not be eligible for appointment to the Governing Bodies of the above schools.

New Sewerage Scheme for Brook Street.

A plan giving details of this scheme had been received from the Engineer of the Borough of Charnwood.

The necessity for a new sewer in this street was due to

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storm water getting into the foul sewer during heavy rain.

The Council's thanks are recorded to Councillor Scarlett who had stressed the urgent need for this at District Council level.

Parish
Allotments.

The Clerk reported on the latest position regarding the negotiations for the purchase of the land.

The appropriate Form had been completed and returned to the Public Works Loan Board, applying for a Loan of £1,200.

A fee of £2.00 was required under the Public Works Loans (Fees) Regulations, and a fee of £2.00 was also required by the National Westminster Bank, Market Place Branch, Loughborough, for receiving this sum into the Parish Council Account.

The Clerk also informed the meeting that the services of Mr. Baron, of Messrs. Straw and Pearce, Solicitors, Loughborough, had been obtained to carry out the Legal Procedure in connection with the purchase of the land.

Cheque for
Playing Field
Grant.

A letter of thanks had been received from the Playing Field Association for the grant of £350.00 passed at the last meeting.

Details and cost of materials supplied so far by William Moss and Son, Loughborough were presented to the meeting, and a cheque for £335.10 being part payment of the £350.00 grant was authorised and signed.

This amount includes V.A.T. of £24.95 which is recoverable by the Parish Council.

Cheque for
Memorial
Village Hall
Repairs from
Street Lighting
Fund Surplus.

In accordance with the Minute passed at the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th. March, 1975, to donate the sum of £92.00 remaining in this fund towards the more urgent repairs of the Memorial Village Hall, copies of the paid accounts were presented to the meeting. These amounted to £166.14.

A cheque for £92.00 was authorised and signed. This now completes the final payment from this account, and closes the Street Lighting Surplus Fund.

Cheque.

The following cheque was also authorised and signed:-

Public Works Loan (Fees) Regulations	£2.00 ✓
National Westminster Bank, Transfer Charge,	£2.00 ✓
	<u>£4.00 ✓</u>


Date of next
Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for Monday, 10th. November, 1975, at 7-30 p.m.

Any other
business.


The Chairman raised the question of a possible amalgamation of the Parishes of Burton, Prestwold and Cotes. Councillor Scarlett had had preliminary discussions with the Chairman of the Prestwold Parish Meeting, who had expressed his agreement to such an amalgamation. Councillor Scarlett informed the meeting that he would be having similar discussions with the Chairman of the Cotes Parish Meeting, and would be reporting on this at the next meeting.

There was no further business and the Chairman closed the meeting.



10.11.75

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY, 10TH. NOVEMBER, 1975,
AT 7-30 P.M.

- Present. Mr.J.R.Bell, Chairman, Miss M.I.Fletcher,
Messrs. S.Eggleston, C.A.Betts, B.Moore, and Borough
Councillor B.Scarlett.
- Apology. Apologies for non-attendance were received from County
Councillor T.A.S.Branston, and G.M.Enright.
- Minutes. Copies of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held
on 13th.October,1975, had been previously circulated.
Before they were signed by the Chairman, Councillor
Scarlett asked that an amendment be made to the Minutes
under "Any other business". The commencement of this
Minute was altered from "Councillor Scarlett raised the
question, to "The Chairman raised the question"
The Minutes were then confirmed as being correct, and
were signed by the Chairman.
- Matters arising. Rural Bus Services.
A letter from the County Engineer and Surveyor stated
that the financial situation is such that additional
expenditure on public transport for Burton-on-the-Wolds
cannot be justified at present. In view of this reply,
the meeting agreed that there was no point in making
further requests to the County Council on this matter at
the present time.
The meeting agreed however, to make enquiries into an
alternative means of transport between Burton and Barrow,
this being by taxi.
Councillor Scarlett agreed to make enquiries into the cost
from the Loughborough Taxi Firms. Mr.Betts agreed to
contact a Mr.Froggatt, and the Clerk was asked to make
enquiries at a Taxi Firm at Sileby.
- Footpath, Barrow Road, Springfield Close.
A letter from the divisional Surveyor stated that the
County Secretary is still in the process of negotiating
the dedication of the land upon which this footpath lies,
and that no conditions have been made by the owner on the
dedication.
The letter also stated that the reason that a barrier at
the Barrow Road end was not erected, was not due to the
suggestion that the owner may require access to land off
this path.
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Matters arising
cont'd.

It was agreed to leave any further discussion on this until dedication of the land had been obtained.

Grass Mowing, Springfield Close.

A letter from the Divisional Surveyor stated that due to a reduction in the allocation of funds for roadworks, standards must inevitably decline, and that mowing of grassed areas is one of the most expensive items in the Maintenance Programme.

It was agreed not to pursue this any further.

Field Footpath I3, and Bridlepath H91.

A copy of a letter sent from the Wolds Footpath Group to Mr. Packe-Drury-Lowe had been received.

This deplored the action of Mr. Packe-Drury-Lowe not to acquiesce to the request that Bridlepath H91 should be re-routed alongside the Eastern edge of the Old Wood. The Wolds Footpath Group are of the opinion that these two paths should remain unchanged at present, and that a careful watch be maintained on reinstatement after ploughing.

The Council understood that footpath I3 had already been ploughed up. The Clerk was asked to write to the County Engineer and Surveyor, asking for assurance that reinstatement of this path will be carried out within the required time.

Loan for purchase of Parish Allotments.

Notice has been received from the Public Works Loan Board of the authorisation of the loan of £1,200 for the purchase of land for the allotments. The period of repayment is 15 years, payable in half-yearly instalments of £91.30. The rate of interest being $12\frac{1}{8}\%$. The date of advance of the loan is 21st. November, 1975, and the interest will accrue from this date.

Proposed amalgamation of the Parishes of Burton, Prestwold and Cotes.

Councillor Scarlett reported on the meeting with the Chairman of the Cotes Parish Meeting, Mr. E. Parker. Mr. Parker was in favour of the proposed amalgamation. The meeting agreed that a letter be sent to the Chairman of the Prestwold and Cotes Parish Meetings, stating that the Burton Parish Council would favourably consider the proposed amalgamation of the parishes of Burton, Prestwold and Cotes, and would recommend this

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at a Burton Parish Meeting.

Correspondence Planning Application.

The following Planning Application had been received :-
75/2329/2, 13-10-75, S.J.Packe-Drury-Lowe,
Formation of agricultural access off Seymour Road,
Burton-on-the-Wolds.

The meeting strongly opposed the Planning Application for the same reasons put forward against an application for an Agricultural Building at the end of Seymour Road, namely, that this development would lead to large and slow moving vehicles having to make an exit from Seymour Road on to the B676 at the dangerous junction in the village centre.

The meeting however agreed that this application could be re-considered when Brook Street is opened up and extended to give access on to the B676 at a point where there is good visibility each way.

Re-decoration of Memorial Village Hall.

A letter had been received from the Management Committee of the Memorial Hall thanking the Council for agreeing to pay the full cost of the re-decoration. This amounted to £229.20 and included V.A.T. of £16.96 which is re-coverable by the Council. It was agreed to pay this bill. See later Minute for authorisation of Cheques.

Village Fountain, (Lion's Mouth).

A letter from the County Archives Department stated that they had consulted several sources of the History of Leicestershire, and could find no mention of the fountain at Burton.

It was agreed that the Chairman ask the present owner of Burton Hall, Mr.R.Bleaze, to check if there is any reference to the Fountain in the Deeds of Burton Hall.

Cheques.

The following Cheques were authorised and signed :-
Barry Pole, Decoration of Memorial Hall, £229.20 ✓
P.F.Oswin, Photo-copying of Minutes, and
Clerk's Tel. Rental, 1st. Nov. to 31st. Jan. £ 9.37 ✓

Date of the
next meeting.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for Monday, 8th.
Dec. 1975, at 7-30 p.m.

Any other
business.

School Crossing, Village Centre.

Miss Fletcher reported receiving complaints from


the residents of the recently re-occupied Married Quarters, Sowters Lane, concerning the need for a Crossing Warden at the School Crossing in the village centre.

The Police had been trying without success to get someone to undertake this duty ever since the installation of the School Crossing Lights. The Clerk was asked to write to the Police informing them of this complaint, and to ask for the latest position on this problem.

Overgrown Hedges, Barrow Road, Burton.

Mr. Branston had sent a report to the meeting stating that the County Council had informed Mr. Pepper that the cutting of these hedges was his responsibility, and that he must attend to them.

There was no further business, and the Chairman closed the meeting at 9-40 p.m.


8.12.75

A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN THE
VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY, 8TH. DECEMBER, 1975,
AT 7-30 P.M.

Present. Mr.J.R.Bell, Chairman, Miss M.I.Fletcher, Messrs. C.A.Betts, S.Eggleston, G.M.Enright, B.Moore, and Charnwood Borough Councillor B.Scarlett.

Apology. An apology for non-attendance was received from County Councillor T.A.S.Branston.

Minutes. Copies of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th.November, 1975, having been previously circulated, were confirmed as being correct, and were signed by the Chairman.

Matters Rural Bus Service.

arising. Mr.Scarlett had obtained details of the cost for the return journey by taxi from Loughborough to Burton and then to Barrow, this amounted to £2.50 plus a waiting charge of 50P. If this was shared between four people it would be cheaper than the charge for the journey by bus via Loughborough.

The Clerk was instructed to give these details to the County Engineer, and to ask if the County Council would consider subsidizing such a scheme.

The arrangements for the scheme would be carried out by the Parish Council.

Field Footpath, I3, and Bridlepath H91.

Following the recent ploughing up of these paths, they had been reinstated by driving a tractor wheel over the line of the paths. Mr.Bell agreed to make enquiries from the Chairman of the Wolds Footpath Group as to whether the paths were definable and suitable for walking on.

Parish Allotments.

The District Valuer had informed the Parish Council that he had re-considered his decision whereby the Parish Council should be responsible for the maintenance of the new fences which will be erected on the South and West side of the Allotments.

Agreement had now been reached between the District Valuer and the Valuer acting for Mr.Seal, that these fences should now be maintained by Mr.Seal.

The Clerk was asked to pass this information on to the Council's Solicitor, Mr.Baron.

Matters arising continued.

A discussion then took place on the preparation of the ground before letting the plots to the applicants. Mr.Eggleston advised that the ground should be ploughed by tractor, and offered to carry out this work for £15.00. It was agreed that Mr.Eggleston's offer be accepted.

The amount of rent to be charged for each Allotment was then discussed, and it was agreed that this should be £7.50. subject to revision after the first twelve months. It was also agreed that Mr.Moore and Mr.Enright should ~~undertake the marking out of the plots, and~~ arrange the initial meeting of the applicants.

Mr.Scarlett offered to make enquiries at the Charnwood Borough Council to obtain a set of Rules for the operating of Allotments.

In reply to a letter from Mr.Sidwell concerning the size and allocation of the Allotments, the Clerk was asked to inform Mr.Sidwell that the plots would be a uniform size of approximately 300 sq. yards.

Proposed Amalgamation of the Parishes of Burton, Prestwold and Cotes.

A letter from the Chairman of the Parish Meeting of Prestwold, Mr.Packe-Drury-Lowe asked for a further meeting between himself, the Chairman of the Cotes Parish Meeting, Mr.E.Parker, and the Chairman of the Burton Parish Council and the Clerk.

It was agreed to accept the second date offered of 17th. December, 1975 for the meeting.

The Clerk was asked to be excused attending the meeting due to a prior engagement, and Mr.Moore agreed to attend with Mr.Bell.

Village Fountain.

The Chairman reported that Mr.Blease had searched the Deeds of Burton Hall for information relating to the Village Fountain, and there was none to be found.

It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Mr.Innes-Smith, who had resided at Burton Hall, and had carried out a certain amount of research into the History of the Village.

The Clerk was then instructed to proceed with the Application for the Preservation Order.

School Crossing, Village Centre.

A letter from the Chief Superintendent of Police, Loughborough, stated that the Police were fully aware



Matters arising of the increased number of children using the crossing continued. and of the attendant dangers. The Police had repeatedly advertised for a Crossing Attendant without results, and asked if the Parish Council could help in finding a person willing to undertake these duties. It was agreed that the Chairman should see the Chief Superintendent to discuss this further.

Correspondence Planning Application.

The following Planning Application had been received:-
No.75/2558/2, 6-11-75, S.J.Packe-Drury-Lowe,
Formation of agricultural access, Wymeswold Road,
Burton-on-the-Wolds.
No objection was raised to this application.

Chester's Charity.

A letter had been received from the Clerk and Trustee of the Chester's Charity, Mr.L.A.Kerry, Buckminster, stating that the Trustee appointed by the Parish Council, namely Mr.Lewis, Solicitor of Loughborough, had not attended a meeting of the Trustees of this Charity for 10 years. The Parish Council was asked if they would appoint someone in place of Mr.Lewis.

The Clerk informed the meeting that he had been in office since 1946, and during that time no request had been received for the Council to appoint a Trustee to the Chester Charity.

The meeting felt that there was some mis-understanding on the part of Mr.Kelly in writing to the Parish Council, and that the letter should have been sent to the Prestwold Parochial Charities, who are recipients of the Chester Charity.

The Clerk was asked to write to Mr.Kelly informing him of the Council's views, and to ask if details of the Constitution of the Chester Charity may be given to the Parish Council.

Date of next meeting. The date of the next meeting was arranged for Friday, 9th. January, 1976, at 8-0 p.m.

Any other business. R.A.F. Officers Married Quarters, Barrow Road.

Complaints had been received concerning difficulties arising from the numbers given to the R.A.F. Officers Married Quarters, Barrow Road. These are numbered 1,2, and 3, Officers Married Quarters, and with the recent re-occupation, confusion has been made with No.1, Barrow Road.



The Clerk was asked to write to the Defence Land Agent explaining the problem, and request that he contacts the Borough of Charnwood Council, to see if these houses could be re-numbered in sequence with the remaining houses on Barrow Road.

Playing Field Tennis Courts,

Mr.Betts reported that these courts are now completed.

Fund relating to Burton Common.

The Chairman made reference to a sum of money in a current account of a Loughborough Bank.

The account had been opened by a committee of Common Rights Holders to receive money from the War Department during the last war as rent for the storing of ammunition, etc. on the Common.

All the members of this committee are now deceased, and the Chairman felt that the money should be put to some useful purpose for the benefit of the Parish, or at least as soon as possible transferred to an account which accrued interest.

Mr.Moore agreed to look into this, and to report to the next meeting.

There was no further business, and the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.55 p.m.


12.2.76